Met Office training dates for renewable energy professionals announced

18 February 2014 - To meet increasing demand for its specialist meteorology training course for renewable energy professionals, the Met Office has announced a new course date in March.

The Introduction to Meteorology for Renewable Energy Professionals course aims to help those in the onshore and offshore renewable energy industry better understand and interpret meteorological information. Developed by the Met Office College, the course enables delegates to optimise operations and site safety.

The two day training comprises of a variety of modules, the first covering weather regimes and fronts. Delegates will examine what drives our weather, learn about air masses and study their implication for wind demand and maintenance activities. Delegates will explore how hazardous weather conditions can threaten wind farm operations.

Modules also include localised wind effects, topography, sea states, tide analysis and observing how waves form. Delegates will learn about various forecasting methods and how probabilities allow better evaluation of confidence.

Edward Young, Project Manager at Endurance Wind Power, described the course as "A fascinating course with a huge amount of knowledge imparted". The training allows time for detailed explanations and practical exercises.

The Met Office College are now taking bookings for 17 - 18 March 2014. The training will take place at Holiday Inn Express in Swindon West.

Book before 3 March to take advantage of the early bird delegate rate - £855, the rate thereafter is £950. Met Office training is VAT exempt.

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